

# May 6-11, 2024

Lead your heart and your household into next Sunday using these ideas and resources in one or all six areas as you worship at home together to fulfill God's discipleship calling. Pick and choose what is most suitable for your home, using what will work best with the ages, stages, personalities, and interests you have present.

May your family be blessed by the time spent together, worshiping our Mighty God!

Blessings,

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### **BIBLE READING**

Read the Bible texts using different translations or age-appropriate children's Bibles, act it out, use puppets or visual aids.

- Acts 1:1-11
- Psalm 47:1-9
- Ephesians 1:15-23
- Luke 24:44-53

#### Memorize

"But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." Acts 1:8

# SINGING

- "At the Name of Jesus" (Lutheran Service Book 512)
- "Crown Him With Many Crowns" (LSB 535)
- "A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing" (LSB 493)

#### **ACTIVITIES**

- 1. Sky Jello-Make a sky jello, layering blue jello with cool whip in clear vessels. As you enjoy this snack, talk about what it must've been like to see Jesus ascend into heaven. How did they feel? What did this mean? Where is Jesus now? Then point to how Jesus promises He will come back again on the clouds.
- Authority-Read about Jesus' authority in Ephesians 1:19b-22. Then create artwork that shows God's authority from the things that come to mind with this passage. How is God's authority awe-inspiring?
- 3. **Praise God**-Immediately after Jesus' ascension the believers stayed continually in the temple praising God. Think of all the ways you can praise God. (voice, body, actions, words, time, etc.) Choose two of them to do, praising Him especially for His death, resurrection, and ascension.

#### **CATECHISM**

**Recitation:** The Blessing of Baptism [Luther's Small Catechism, Blue p. 204, Maroon p. 209, Black-p. 292]

**Q & A:** Assign one person to be the catechizer to ask questions and allow others to answer. (Guide them/provide unknown answers.)

- Luther's Small Catechism, 2008 Questions 248-252 (Blue p. 204-206, Maroon p. 209-211)
- Luther's Small Catechism, 2017 Questions 308-314 (p. 292-296)

Need a catechism? Let us know!

# **DISCUSSION**

- 1. Share highs and lows of the day.
- 2. How have you seen God at work lately?
- 3. What does the Scripture reading teach about God?
- 4. What does it teach about people?
- 5. What is the key theme of the Scripture reading?
- 6. What do you learn about the key theme? How can you apply it to your daily walk with the Lord? (Yourself, your relationship with God or your relationships with others?)
- 7. Any cautions to heed? Any promises to anticipate?

### PRAYER

- Adoration (Wow, God!): Proclaim at least three things that amaze you about God today.
- Confession (Sorry, God!): Confess, repent, and ask for forgiveness.
- Thanksgiving (Thanks, God!): Thank God for blessings, lessons, gifts, etc.
- **Supplication (Please, God!):** Ask God to intervene where you know of needs.

God has called us to lead our families in discipleship at home...

- to preach and teach the Bible to our family (Eph. 6:4)
- to be a discipleship center (Gen. 18:19)
- to impress the hearts of the next generation with a love for God (Deut. 6:5-7)
- to pass on faith (Ps. 78:1-8, Deut. 32:44-47; Eph. 6:4)
- to teach spiritual lessons to our children (Prov. 1:8, Prov. 7:1, Prov. 23:23-26)

and this resource is designed to equip you to do just that and help you lead into the following Sunday.

